

## MARKETS ARE DULL

## Eggs and Butter Both Holding Their Own.

Good Meat is in Demand on Account of Poor Quality of Range Stock—California Vegetables Are Coming in—Clams Scarce.

Portland, Dec. 27.—The usual dullness following the Christmas holidays was noticeable in the markets here today, and, because of closing up the business of the year and taking stock etc., the dullness will likely continue until the middle of the week after the new year.

Thirty-two and a half cents for eggs is still the rule, and butter is firmer. Eggs may decline with the influx from the ranches in a day or two, but butter will continue high in price.

Poor meats are not in demand and prices for mediocre stock are low. First class beef, mutton and pork, however, continue high, and may go farther up as a result of poor range feed.

California vegetables are beginning to arrive in quantity as a result of the colder weather on the Oregon beds on the delicate vegetables.

Clams are still very scarce as a result of the continued stormy weather, and there is no market quotation on them.

Staples rule the same as for two weeks past.

## Grain Products, Feed.

Wheat—Walla Walla, 81c; Valley, 87c; bluestem, 87c.  
Oats—White, 23c; gray, 23c.  
Barley—Brewing, 22.50c; feed, 21.50c.  
Hay—Timothy, 14.15c; clover, 11.12c; cheat, 11.12c.  
Millstuffs—Barley, rolled, 22.50c; middlings, 24.25c; chop, 11.65c; bran, 22.00c; shorts, 22.00c.  
Flour—Hard wheat, straight, 4.15c; 4.30c; hard wheat patents, 4.75c; 4.90c; Valley, 4.30c; 4.75c; Graham, 24c; rye, 4.75c.

## Produce.

Butter—Fancy creamery, 25c; 27c; dairy, 13c; 13c; cooking, 12c; 12c.  
Cheese—Young America, 14c; 15c; Oregon full cream, 13c; 13c.  
Eggs—Oregon ranch, 31c; 32c; eastern, 24c; 25c.  
Poultry—Mixed chickens, per pound, 8c; spring, pound, 10c; 10c; hens, 10c; 10c; geese, 8c; 8c; turkeys, live, 17c; 18c; turkeys, dressed, 19c; 22c; ducks, old, dozen, 44c; spring ducks, 46c; 47c.  
Honey—Dark, 10c; 11c; amber, 12c; 13c; fancy white, 15c.

## Wild Game.

Wild geese, 33c; mallard ducks, 33c; 35c; widgeon ducks, 32c; 25c; teal ducks, 11.25c; 1.50c.

## Fruits and Vegetables.

Pears—11c; 12c.  
Cranberries—Per barrel, 10c.  
Apples—Oregon, 50c; 51c.  
Tropical Fruits—Lemons, fancy, 3.25c; 3.50c; choice, 3.25c per box; oranges, 2.25c; 2.75c; bananas, 5c; 5c per pound; pineapples, 1.50c; 4c per dozen.  
Potatoes, Oregon, 100 pounds, 70c; 90c; tomatoes, California, per crate, 1.25c; turnips, per sack, 60c; 70c; cabbage, per pound, 1c; 2c; carrots, per sack, 60c; 75c; beets, per dozen bunches, 5c; egg plant, 6c per pound; Oregon onions, 100 pounds, 2.25c; 2.50c; sweet potatoes, 1.25c; 1.50c per 100 pounds; cauliflower, per dozen, 75c; 81c; celery, per dozen, 75c.

## Fresh Meats and Fish.

Fresh Meats—Veal, 2c; 4c; pork, 5c; 6c; beef, 2c; 4c; mutton, 2c; 4c.  
Fish—Crabs, per dozen, 1.25c; Shoal-water Bay oysters, per sack, 4c; oysters, galled, 2.25c; halibut, 7c; black cod, 7c; salmon, Steelheads, 8c; her-ling, 5c; flounders, 5c; catfish, 7c; lobsters, per pound, 12c; silver smelt, 5c; shrimp, 10c; perch, 5c; sturgeon, 7c; Columbia river smelt, 5c.

## Oils and Lead.

Coal Oil—Pearl or astral oil, cases, 21c per gallon; water white oil, iron barrels, 15c; wood barrels, none; cocoon oil, cases, 25c; elaine oil, cases, 28c; extra star, cases, 26c; headlight oil, 17c degrees, cases, 24c; iron barrels, 18c. Washington state test burning oils, except headlight, 1/2c per gallon higher.  
Benzine—Sixty-three degrees, cases, 26c; iron barrels, 15c.  
Lime Oil—Pure raw, in barrels, 52c; genuine kettle-boiled in barrels, 54c; pure raw oil, in cases, 57c; genuine kettle-boiled in cases, 59c; lots of 250 gallons, 1c less per gallon.  
Turpentine—In cases, 85c per gallon.  
Gasoline—Stove gasoline, cases, 24c; iron barrels, 18c; 88 degrees gasoline, cases, 32c; iron barrels or drums, 26c.  
Lead—Strictly pure white lead and red lead in ton lots, 7c; 500-pound lots, 5c; less than 500 pounds, 5c.

## Groceries, Provisions, Etc.

Sugar—Golden C, 35.55c; powdered, 36.25c; patent cube, 36.80c; cane, D. G.,

\$6.15; fruit sugar, \$6.15; beet sugar, \$6.05; extra cwt. 10c; kegs, cwt., 25c; boxes, cwt., 50c (less 1/4c per pound, if paid for in 15 days).

Salt—Bales of 75-25, bale \$1.50; bales of 50-35, bale \$1.50; bales of 40-45, bale \$1.50; bales of 15-105, bale \$1.50; bags, 50a, fine, ton, \$9.50; bags 50 lbs., genuine Liverpool, ton, \$17; bags 50 lbs., 1/4 ground, 100a, tons, \$5.25; R. S. V. P., 20 5-lb. cartons, \$2.25; R. S. V. P., 24 5-lb. cartons, \$1.75; Liverpool lumb, ton, \$15.

Coffee—Mocha, 24c; Java, fancy, 26c; 32c; ava, good, 20c; 24c; Java, ordinary, 17c; 20c; Costa Rica, fancy, 18c; 20c; Costa Rica, good, 16c; 18c; Arabuckles, \$15.25 per 100 pounds; Lion, \$15.25.

Nuts—Walnuts, No. 1, soft shell, 13c; No. 1, hard shell, 13c; Chile, 12c; almonds, 17c; 18c; filberts, 14c; 15c; Brazil, 16c; pecans, 13c; 15c; hickory, 8c; Virginia peanuts, 8c; 9c; Jumbo Virginia peanuts, 9c; Japanese peanuts, 5c; 6c; chestnuts, Italian, 14c; chestnuts, eastern, drum, 4.50c; cocoanuts, dozen, 90c.

Rice—Imperial Japan, No. 1, \$5.37c; No. 2, \$4.25c; Carolina head, 6c; broken head, 4c, 11c; 13c per pound; Columbia roast, cases, 100a, \$13.25; 50a, \$13.50; Arabuckles, \$14.85; Lion, \$14.85.

Provisions—Hams, to slice, 12c; hams picnic, 9c; bacon, regular, 11c; bacon, breakfast, 14c; 15c; dry salt sides, 10c; backs, dry salt, 9c; lard, kettle rendered, tierced, 9c.

Pigs—White, pound, 5c; 6c; black, 6c; 7c.

Dates—Golden, 60-lb. boxes, 6c; 7c; 1-lb packages, 8c; Fard, 15-lb boxes, \$1.40 box.

## Hops, Wool, Hides, Etc.

Hops—25c; 30c.  
Wool—Valley, 20c; 21c; Eastern Oregon, 10c; 17c.

Tallow—Prime, per pound, 3c; 4c; No. 2 and grease, 2c; 3c.

Hides—Dry hides, No. 1, 16 pounds and up, 14c; 15c; 16c; dry kip, No. 1, 5 to 16 pounds, 13c; 14c; dry calf, No. 1, under 5 pounds, 15c; dry salted bulls and stags, a third less than dry flint; salted hides, steers, sound, 60 pounds and over, 8c; 9c; 50 to 60 pounds 7c; 7c; under 50 pounds and cows, 6c; 7c; stags and bulls, sound, 4c; 4c; kip, sound, 15 to 20 pounds, 7c; under 10 pounds, 8c; green (unsalted), 1c per pound less; culis, 1c per pound less; horse hides, salted, each, 15c; dry, each, \$1.15; colts' hides, each, 25c; 50c; goatskins, common, each, 10c; 15c; Angora, with wool on, 25c; 31c; sheep pelts, as to wool, 10c; 60c each.

## Livestock.

Cattle—\$2.35; 3.50; hogs, \$4.25; 5.50; sheep, \$3.25; 3.50.

## Use of Lemons.

The uses of lemons are manifold, and the more we employ them the better we shall find ourselves. For all people, in sickness or in health, lemonade is not only a safe but a remarkably pleasant drink. It is a specific against worms and skin complaints. The pippins or seeds crushed may also be mixed with water and used as a drink. Lemon juice is the best antiscorbutic remedy known. It not only cures the disease; but, what is better than a cure, it is a preventive. Sailors make a daily use of it for that purpose. It is a good thing to rub the gums daily with lemon juice to keep them in a healthy condition. It prevents chills. Lemon used in intermittent fevers is mixed with strong, hot black tea or coffee without sugar. Neuralgia may be cured by rubbing the part afflicted with a lemon. It is valuable also to cure warts and to destroy dandruff on the head by rubbing the roots of the hair with it. Lemon juice and glycerine, equal parts, make an unequalled lotion for the hands to keep them soft, smooth and healthy. We think we have said enough to show how valuable, therefore, lemons are.—Dietetic and Hygienic Gazette.

## A Sure Sign.

"Mose, how in de wold kin you tell ef dese melons is ripe widout goin' inter de patch?"  
"Easy, Lige. Easy 'nough. Ain' no melon patch ever watched wid shot-guns in buildins onless de melons is des a-bustin' ter be ate."—Chicago Tribune.

## TIDE TABLE, DECEMBER

Low Water.				High Water.			
Date.	A. M.	P. M.		Date.	A. M.	P. M.	
	h. m. ft.	h. m. ft.			h. m. ft.	h. m. ft.	
Thursday	1 1:03 1.3	3:12 3.1		Thursday	7 7:38 7.8	8:06 6.4	
Friday	2 2:07 1.7	3:17 3.1		Friday	2 8:34 8.1	9:17 6.5	
Saturday	3 3:10 2.0	4:18 3.5		Saturday	3 9:28 8.6	10:22 7.0	
SUNDAY	4 4:08 2.1	5:12 3.5		SUNDAY	4 10:19 9.1	11:19 7.5	
Monday	5 5:04 2.3	6:00 4.0		Monday	5 11:04 9.5		
Tuesday	6 5:59 2.5	6:48 4.4		Tuesday	6 0:11 7.1		
Tuesday	6			Tuesday	6 11:50 9.5		
Wednesday	7 6:46 2.7	7:30 4.4		Wednesday	7 1:06 7.3	12:33 9.3	
Thursday	8 7:30 2.9	8:13 4.3		Thursday	8 1:46 7.3	1:15 9.0	
Friday	9 8:15 3.1	8:54 4.9		Friday	9 2:36 7.2	1:55 8.7	
Saturday	10 9:00 3.3	9:32 4.4		Saturday	10 3:12 7.2	2:37 8.2	
SUNDAY	11 9:45 3.4	10:00 4.2		SUNDAY	11 3:53 7.1	3:17 7.5	
Monday	12 10:34 3.4	10:30 4.7		Monday	12 4:36 7.0	4:02 7.0	
Tuesday	13 11:30 3.5	11:30 4.3		Tuesday	13 5:26 7.0	4:53 6.2	
Wednesday	14	12:32 3.4		Wednesday	14 6:08 7.0	5:53 5.7	
Thursday	15 0:13 1.8	1:35 3.0		Thursday	15 7:00 7.1	7:06 5.4	
Friday	16 1:04 2.3	2:33 2.6		Friday	16 7:47 7.2	8:18 5.3	
Saturday	17 2:00 2.6	3:30 1.8		Saturday	17 8:36 7.3	9:24 5.6	
SUNDAY	18 3:00 2.9	4:18 1.1		SUNDAY	18 9:22 7.0	10:20 5.9	
Monday	19 3:52 3.1	5:04 0.4		Monday	19 10:08 8.2	11:14 6.3	
Tuesday	20 4:45 3.1	5:48 0.3		Tuesday	20 10:50 8.4		
Wednesday	21 5:37 3.1	6:28 0.8		Wednesday	21 11:35 8.0	0:00 6.7	
Thursday	22 6:22 3.1	7:09 1.1		Thursday	22 0:45 7.1	12:18 8.9	
Friday	23 7:07 3.1	7:50 1.3		Friday	23 1:29 7.3	1:00 9.0	
Saturday	24 7:52 2.8	8:30 1.1		Saturday	24 2:10 7.6	1:40 8.9	
SUNDAY	25 8:37 2.8	9:15 0.9		SUNDAY	25 2:53 7.7	2:27 8.6	
Monday	26 9:27 2.6	9:59 0.4		Monday	26 3:37 7.8	3:15 8.1	
Tuesday	27 10:34 2.6	10:45 0.2		Tuesday	27 4:23 7.9	4:10 7.5	
Wednesday	28 11:19 2.3	11:36 0.9		Wednesday	28 5:12 7.9	5:15 6.9	
Thursday	29	12:38 2.0		Thursday	29 6:07 8.1	6:28 6.5	
Friday	30 0:34 1.5	1:49 1.6		Friday	30 7:03 8.1	7:06 6.1	
				Saturday	21 8:03 8.3	9:03 6.6	